

Village of La Grange Park
Sustainability Commission – Minutes
Tuesday, July 15, 2014

The meeting of the La Grange Park Sustainability Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at the La Grange Park Public Library in La Grange Park, Illinois.

1. Call to Order
Commission Chair Krista Grimm called the meeting to order. Members present included: David Mrazek, Ann Wiegand-Kamal, and Josh Samos. Also present was Brendan McLaughlin, Village Staff Liaison.
2. Approval of Minutes
The minutes of the April 21, 2014 meeting were approved as presented.
3. Public Comment
No member of the public was present to speak.
4. New Business
The Commission reviewed options for an improved logo designed by Ann Weigand-Kamal. They discussed public education ideas including an article on rain barrels or rain gardens to be prepared by Josh Samos and creating an event on Rain Gardens that would be coordinated with the La Grange Garden Club. A tentative schedule for articles included Electric Options for August, Rain Barrels for September, a biography article spotlighting a sustainability star for October and a composting article for November. The idea of “Green Christmas” tips was also discussed.
5. Old Business
 - a. Facebook Page – It was suggested that an email be sent out setting a protocol for suggesting items for a Facebook post. The protocol established was to email the text or idea to Brendan McLaughlin and copy Jill Madison and Ann Weigand-Kamal. This way Brendan could respond that the post is acceptable for the Village and then either of the two Facebook Administrators could then post the item.
 - b. Potential Rain Barrel Sale - It was discussed that the Sustainability Commission see if Ace Hardware would be interested in being the vendor for a one day sale. Scott Grandchamp was going to contact Ace vendors to see if he could get pricing that would be competitive for such a sale.
 - c. Results from Electric Aggregation Bid – Brendan McLaughlin reported that the Village did not receive a bid with enough up side to warrant a village wide contract. Residents will be notified that they will either revert to ComEd or they can seek a vendor on their own.
 - d. E-Waste Event – The date has been confirmed for October 18 from 9:00 to 1:00. US AGAIN contacted the Village to see if there was interest in having them participate. It was determined that there wasn't interest in expanding the event as the volunteer base works hard to support the e-waste event and it was thought that there are other venues for recycling items that US AGAIN would be collecting.
6. Open Discussion - No additional items were discussed
7. Next Steps - Each person mentioned the tasks they would perform before the next meeting.
8. Next Meeting Date - Monday, August 25, 2014 was selected.
9. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.